## **REMARKS**

The Examiner has issued an Official Action requiring restriction between eleven groups of inventions. The groups identified by the Examiner are set out on pages 2 to 4 of the Action.

Applicant respectfully traverses this restriction requirement.

It is submitted that the claims define a single invention and that all of the claims should be examined in this application. The claims define methods of testing for lipid peroxide, pyroglutamic acid and glutathione and comparing the amounts of these compounds before, during and after treatment with an antioxidant. The kit of claims 29-32 may be used for this purpose.

If the Examiner still does not agree that all the claims should be examined in this application, the applicant elects the invention of claims 21 to 28 and 33 to 62 corresponding to Groups I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX and XI provisionally. If the Examiner does not agree with this, applicant then elects claims 37 to 62 provisionally. If the Examiner does not agree with this, applicant elects the claims 52-62 which corresponds to the claims of Groups I and II, provisionally. If the examiner still does not agree, applicant elects the claims of group II (claims 45-62 corresponding to claims 7 to 13), provisionally.

All rights to file one or more divisional applications directed to the subject matter of the nonelected claims and/or any other subject matter disclosed in the specification are preserved.

Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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